

SENATE LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

August 28, 2012 @ 1pm
Colloquium Room, LS8

Present: Nan Seamans, Deron Boyles, Audrey Goodman, Gertrude Tinker Sachs, Florian Enescu, Katherine Willoughby, Lisa Cranwell Bruce, Terrance Marion, Alexander Sayf Cummings, Mark McFarland, Tim Nichols, Pam Lucas (recorder)

Absent: Christopher Fenn, Ian Almond, Joshua Russell, Leslie Marsh, Tim Renick

Approval of Meeting Minutes – Motion to approve minutes from the March 13, 2012 meeting was called by Lisa Cranwell Bruce, seconded by Katherine Willoughby. The motion was approved unanimously.

Discussion with Dean Seamans

Digital Initiatives Librarian – with the departure of Amy Elliott, Digital Initiatives Librarian, the application process for potential candidates has begun. An invitation was extended to the committee to be present at the candidate presentations. Dates and times will be forwarded once they have been set.

Implementation of the ETD (Electronic Thesis & Dissertations) policy – The policy addresses electronic thesis and dissertations and the ability for anyone to have access to the material. Several departments previously voiced discomfort with various aspect of the policy,. It was noted that in the approved policy departments still maintain their option to have closed documents, and the opportunity to embargo whatever they feel is appropriate is still an option.

Hindawi Membership – The library has invested in a one year open access membership with Hindawi Publishing Corporation. An email, to all faculty, was sent over the summer from Monica Swann and Dean Seamans regarding the membership. Hindawi is one of the leading Open Access publishers with 433 peer-reviewed journals. When publishing in any Hindawi journal, authors retain the copyright of their article, which is distributed under the Creative Common Attribution License.

At the August 16 new faculty orientation, the library distributed copies of Peter Suber's book *Open Access* to new faculty and administrators on campus. Included with every book was a bookmark with information on the open access publishing philosophy and the [Digital Archive @ GSU](#). Highlights from the event were posted on the Library Blog. The library will order an additional 25 copies of Suber's book so any committee member wishing to acquire a copy should contact Dean Seamans.

Dell Consultant – The Technology Simplification Assessment begins Tuesday, September 5th. The consultant will look at all instructional and information technology campus wide. The IS&T and the library are the focus of the assessment. The committee chair will contact Dr. Weyhenmeyer to schedule a meeting with the committee and the consultant.

Budget – The library is preparing for proposed budget cuts in the amount of 2.1% (\$215K) or 4% (\$409K).

A note, the library will be closed Saturday, September 1st. The university is planning an outage while portions of the campus backup system are replaced.

Dr. Sarah Cook – Honors College Journal Proposal – Revisions to the e-journal proposal were discussed by Dr. Cook. The two major areas addressed in the revised proposal were authorship and the editorial process. During her presentation Dr. Cook presented copies of the 1st volume of Discovery, the undergraduate research journal. Dr. Cook elaborated on the limitations that would be overcome by initiating an electronic version of the journal, such as the inclusion of film, music and sculpture works. A motion to accept the revised e-journal proposal was called by Audrey Goodman, seconded by Gertrude Tinker Sachs. The motion was approved unanimously.

Copyright Lawsuit Symposia Brainstorm Session – In response to the GSU copyright lawsuit, Alexander Sayf Cummings was invited to assist the committee in determining the best format for a symposia focused on the issue. The committee tentatively decided that the format would consist of a one day event with a three person panel in the spring of 2013. Three main areas of focus are the narrow specific legal dimension of the decision, the broad cultural political and historical aspects intellectual property, and going forward with publishing and scholarship. The committee chair will draft a proposal and the committee will meet again on September 11th to finalize it prior to presenting it to the Provost.

Action Item for the Committee Chair:

Dell Consultant: The committee chair will contact Dr. Weyhenmeyer to schedule a meeting with the committee and the consultant.

Copyright Symposia: The committee chair will draft a proposal for the symposia and present it to Dr. Palm.

Next meeting: September 11, 2012